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January 29, 1993

Mr. Steve Powell
Chimney Rock Resources Corp.
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Dear Mr. Powell:

Re: Notice of Intention to Commence Small Mining Operations, S/049/019, ML45544, Utah County, Utah

The Division was awaiting historical clearance from State Lands and Forestry before processing your Notice received July 9, 1992. On September 29, 1992, State Lands sent you a letter stating that your notice had complied with their requirements. This letter indicated it was copied to the Division of Oil, Gas & Mining, however, a copy of this letter was not present in Division files. I believe the Division's copy of the letter was misfiled or misplaced because it did not reference the Division's file number. For whatever reason, I had not seen this letter until January 27, 1993, when you presented the Division a copy.

The State Lands letter contained several stipulations, one of which was a reclamation surety. After contacting State Lands, I have learned that a surety was posted and then released by State Lands. A surety will not be required by State Lands for this operation because of a reclamation agreement between you and the surface owner.

The Division has now finished processing your Notice and we find the application to be complete. No additional information is required at this time. Please accept our apology for the unexpected delay in processing your Notice.

For your reference, I have enclosed copies of our summarized rules regarding "Operation and Reclamation Practices", and the statutory penalty for failure to reclaim a minesite (attachments SMO-1 and SMO-2).

Please give special consideration to item #10 of the "Operation and Reclamation Practices" (attachment SMO-1). Stockpiling topsoil material prior to beginning your mining operation will help ensure successful revegetation efforts upon final reclamation of the

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minesite. If the area being mined is a solid rock outcrop, or if the land surface is very rocky, then soil stockpiling is probably not possible. However, even the first few inches of undeveloped material is worth saving to aid in later revegetation efforts, and future regulatory release from reclamation requirements.

Should you wish to expand your operation beyond the five (5) acre limitation, please notify this office as soon as possible to discuss the necessary permitting requirements.

A Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between this Division and the State Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) requires us to notify them upon receipt of a mining application. If you haven't already done so, you are advised to contact their office prior to starting your small mining operation to determine whether additional permits and/or approvals are required. We will forward a copy of this letter and your notice to the DEQ for their review. Their address and phone number is: Department of Environmental Quality, 288 North 1460 West, Salt Lake City, Utah, 84116, (801) 538-6121.

Thank you for your cooperation. When in the area, a member of the Division staff will examine the site. Best wishes with your mining operation.

Sincerely,



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Reclamation Engineer

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Enclosure

cc: Kiran Bhayani, DEQ w/NOI

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